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Takayuki NARITA, et al.  
Serial No: 09/931,651  
Confirmation No.: 2848  
Filed: August 15, 2001  
For: BEARING MEMBER AND METHOD  
FOR MANUFACTURING THE SAME  
AND DYNAMIC PRESSURE  
BEARING DEVICE

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 2, 2003, the time for response to which is extended one month(s) by the accompanying petition from January 2, 2004 to February 2, 2004, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

**Amendments** to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.